

MOVE FOR PEACE HAS BEEN MADE BY THE PRESIDENT

Conference Yesterday Afternoon With Russian Ambassador Leads to Belief That Settlement May Come.

SPECIAL MESSAGE TO THE EMPEROR

Diplomats Express Strong Hope That This Is the First Move Toward Peace Japanese Terms are Not Known.

Washington, June 3.—The president has struck a blow for peace in the Far East. In a conference at the White House yesterday afternoon with Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, the president expressed to earnest hope that Russia would forthwith conclude peace with Japan. Prolongation of the war, he believes will not result in victory for the Russian arms and can only serve to increase Japan's demands and render more difficult the drafting of a treaty of peace which the czar as well as the mikado can sign. The president spoke, he said, as the friend of Russia no less than of Japan, and on behalf not only of the Washington government, but in the interest of humanity. Until his words have reached Tsarok-Solo and have been communicated to Emperor Nicholas in the friendly spirit in which they were uttered, their effect cannot be estimated.

Soon after reaching the embassy, Count Cassini began the preparation of a despatch to his government. Throughout the diplomatic corps there is a strong hope that yesterday's conference marked the first step toward peace, but the general opinion is that weeks may elapse before even preliminary negotiations can be begun. Diplomats express the hope that Emperor Nicholas will receive the president's words "as the counsel of that government which for years has been Russia's traditional friend, and will weigh it accordingly." The president informed the ambassador that he earnestly hoped for an early peace in the Far East and that in expressing this hope he voiced not only his strong personal sentiments and those of his government, but he believed these were held by all of the powers. His opinion was that it would be a mistake for Russia to continue the war. In addition to the suffering entailed by the naval conflict he did not believe that Russia has anything to win in prolonging hostilities. The president did not enter into details, but the personal character of the conversation and his long acquaintance with Count Cassini, enabled him to talk plainly regarding the decisive character of the Japanese victories.

What Japan's probable peace terms would be, the president was wholly unable to say, but he did not hesitate to express the opinion that, difficult as these conditions might prove in the light of such a victory as that gained in the Korean straits, they would increase in severity with every day that a state of war continued. Unless Russia has substantial hope of administering a decisive defeat to Japan in this war, the president believed it would injure to the interests of the St. Petersburg government to conclude peace at once.

Briefly and in a paraphrased form, these were the arguments used by the president in support of his conviction that, as between a continuation of the war and immediate peace, the latter would be greatly to Russia's advantage. The conversation was characterized throughout by frankness and friendliness. Later on, when the ambassador has heard from his government, after communicating the president's views and the president's willingness to render Russia any service possible in initiating peace negotiations with Japan, he will have another talk with the president.

Regarding his visit to the White House all that Count Cassini would say: "I had a most cordial conversation with the president this afternoon, during which the whole situation in the Far East was discussed informally and in a general manner. No peace overtures were received from Japan nor were any made. Our talk was confidential, of course, and of a very general character."

When Count Cassini leaves Washington for St. Petersburg early in July, he will be the bearer of a personal mes-

sage from the president to the emperor.

RUSSIAN ADMIRALTY IS VERY BITTER

Feeling Against Admiral Nebogatoff Runs High Because of His Surrender—Ugly Stories of Demoralization of Crews.

St. Petersburg, June 3.—Feeling in the admiralty against Rear Admiral Nebogatoff continues to run high, the majority of the naval authorities being deaf to the appeals of the few who insist that the admiral's action in surrendering his warships should not be condemned until the circumstances become fully known. The majority say they could forgive anything but surrender and point to the precedent set in the case of the Russian warship Raphael, which in 1829, during the Russo-Turkish war struck its colors to three Turkish ships which surrounded it.

The admiralty up to the present is unable to throw any light on the situation except to announce the safety of those who reached Vladivostok. Ugly stories are circulating here of the demoralization and even treachery of the crews of several Russian ships during the battle and it is even said the crew of the battleship Orel bound their officers and hoisted the white flag.

CREW MUTINIED?

Story That Admiral Nebogatoff Was Thrown Overboard.

London, June 3.—A despatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says that details from a trustworthy source leave little doubt that Vice Admiral Nebogatoff's sailors mutinied, and either threw him and his officers overboard or bound them in their cabins, after which a white flag was hoisted.

CALL TO LABOR.

For State Convention to Be Held in Barre Next August.

The call to all labor unions, central bodies, etc., of Vermont has been issued for the annual State Federation of Labor convention. It reads in part as follows:

The fourth annual convention of the Vermont State Branch, of the American Federation of Labor will be held in Barre beginning Tuesday, August 8, 1905. The necessity for a strong state organization is obvious, and we are pleased to report numerous accessions to the membership roll, so that beyond doubt this convention will be the largest in number of delegates and bodies represented in the history of the Branch; yet it behooves every union member and every organization in the state to fully realize the importance of our work to the end that not one organization shall be unrepresented.

A strong state organization should be recognized as an absolute necessity, as a matter of business policy. The employers maintain their organizations on business principles and if we would meet them on even ground we too must adopt the principles of business. The day is past even in Vermont when an individual wage worker can make a fair contract to himself and family with the employer, and that being so it stands to reason that our organization must be strengthened and put upon a business basis, and what is more essential than a state organization? The past year has been a busy one. Through the state legislative committee a child labor law, that is pointed to as a model, and a mechanics' lien law have been placed upon the statutes; a weekly payment bill passed the house to be killed in the senate, and an employers' liability bill was introduced. Action must now be taken that will insure the passage of these two latter bills one year hence.

FORTUNATELY NO PANIC.

Fire in Avenue Theatre in Pittsburg Yesterday.

Pittsburg, June 3.—One of the most spectacular of the fires that have visited Pittsburg in recent years broke out in the Avenue Theatre late yesterday afternoon and before it was subdued had completely destroyed the Avenue Theatre and partially wrecked the Grand Opera house adjoining, but fortunately no panic ensued and no lives were lost. The loss will reach \$50,000, fully insured. The fire is believed to have been caused by crossed wires.

The Avenue probably was the oldest show house here and recently had been used for vaudeville. The Grand Opera house is partially under the same roof. The Avenue had been closed for several weeks and no one was in the building except the watchman, but in the opera house a matinee performance was in progress when the fire broke out. The house was about half filled but through the systematic work of the employees, the audience was gotten out without the semblance of a panic. Indeed, the majority did not know there was a fire until they reached the street. There several women fainted.

ANOTHER BOMB EXPLODES.

Does Considerable Damage in Palace of Governor-General of Barcelona.

Barcelona, June 3.—At six o'clock last evening a bomb was exploded in the palace of the governor-general, doing considerable damage. Ten arrests have been made.

BRIDE-TO-BE IN BERLIN

Duchess Cecilia to Wed Crown Prince of Germany

ON THURSDAY, JUNE 8

Kaiser, With Distinguished Party, Met the Duchess at the Railroad Station—Greeted With a Kiss on Each Cheek.

Berlin, June 3.—Duchess Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, the affianced bride of the Crown Prince of Germany, arrived in Berlin this afternoon from Schwerin. She was accompanied by her mother, Grand Duchess Anastasia Lanastasi, and her brother, Grand Duke Frederick, ruler of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, arrived on a separate train. A distinguished party met the Duchess at the railroad station, including the Kaiser, the Crown Prince, eight other princes of the Prussian royal family, twelve foreign royal princes, the supreme officers of the army and the highest state officials.

As Cecilia emerged from the saloon car she was greeted by the Kaiser who kissed her on both cheeks. He also kissed the hand of Anastasia. The Crown Prince kissed the hand of Cecilia and her mother.

The party drove to Bellevue Castle, where the emperor received Cecilia. Later in the day the Duchess will make her debut. For the entry into Berlin the route from Bellevue to the palace has been transformed into a bower of roses, a million flowers being used in the decoration scheme. The wedding takes place next Thursday.

DEATH OF J. S. KENERSON.

Was a Traveling Man and Had Represented Barnet in Legislature.

St. Johnsbury, June 3.—The funeral of Josiah S. Kenerson, an old and respected citizen of Barnet, who died Wednesday after a long illness of Bright's disease, was held at his home at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Kenerson was born in Peacham, November 7, 1832. In 1853 after his marriage to Abbie S. Leet, of Danville, Que., he moved to Manchester, N. H. He enlisted in July, 1863, in the 1st N. H. heavy artillery for three years. After his return from the service he lived on a farm which he purchased in Peacham, but since 1872 had lived in Barnet. As agent for fertilizer companies he had traveled through northern Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine for nineteen years. He was a man of upright character and had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. In 1888 he was elected to the legislature from Barnet. He was a member of the Connecticut River Lodge of Odd Fellows of Barnet, and of Austin Goodell Post, G. A. R., of Monroe, N. H. Mrs. Kenerson died in 1896 leaving one son, A. H. Kenerson, a member of the firm of Ginn & Co. of Boston. Mr. Kenerson married Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens, of Peacham, November 16, 1897, who, with the son, survives him.

A DOUBLE FUNERAL.

Sad Occasion at South Royalton on Thursday.

South Royalton, June 3.—The double funeral of Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace Gallup was held Thursday afternoon, June 1, at their home, the Rev. E. E. Wells of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church officiating. The funeral procession passed to the cemetery in the village with two hearse leading and the two bodies were placed in one grave.

The home left with no one in it made the scene doubly sad. May 29 Mr. Gallup became ill with emphysema and lived just a week from that time. Mrs. Gallup, overcome by grief, was stricken with typhoid pneumonia, and while keeping the body of her husband for the arrival of their sons from the West, gradually failed till Wednesday morning, May 31, when she died, just a few minutes before their son, Wallace, arrived on the 7:30 train. Her son, Fred, was unable to reach here before Thursday morning and neither of them knew of their mother's illness. The family is of an energetic, persevering stock. Three sons survive Mr. and Mrs. Gallup. All live in the West. Mr. and Mrs. Gallup had been long residents in town and had many warm friends.

A RESERVOIR DISASTER.

Caused by Severe Storm in Natal—200 People Lost Their Lives.

Durban, June 3.—A great storm which has swept over Pinetown, the center of the sea and sugar plantations of Natal, caused the reservoir to overflow, resulting in the drowning of 50 Hindoo laborers.

Later reports say that 200 persons were killed in the disaster to the reservoir. The storm resulted in numerous casualties elsewhere.

ANOTHER MISHAP.

Alfonso's Visit in Paris Marred Again Last Night.

Paris, June 3.—As King Alfonso was leaving the Theatre Francaise last night six horses of his escort shied, throwing and slightly injuring the troopers who were riding them. The mishap occurred with a few yards of the scene of the recent bomb outrage.

SIX FIRMS INCLUDED

Tool Sharpening Company Elect Officers.

A. J. YOUNG PRESIDENT

Are Now Running One Machine and Intention Is to Introduce Another—Matter Talked Over Last Night.

The Pirie Tool Sharpening company, recently incorporated with capital stock of \$5,000, has organized with the following directors: A. J. Young, George Gray, W. W. Anderson, E. Pirie and O. Canton. The officers elected are: President, A. J. Young; vice president, George Gray; secretary and treasurer, W. W. Anderson; manager, E. Pirie.

These men represent the following granite cutting firms, Young Bros., Claribro & Gray, Anderson & Sons, Canton Bros., Besides, Folsom & Emshie and D. Blair are stockholders in the company. At the present time the company is operating one machine, but the intention is to put in another, so that the sharpening of tools for the six firms will be done there.

Committees of the manufacturers and the union met last evening and talked the situation over. It was agreed that as yet there is no grievance. It is understood that there will be a joint meeting of the stonecutters and the blacksmiths Monday evening to further consider the situation. At a recent meeting the joint union decided that it is opposed to the sub-letting of contracts for sharpening tools, as it is opposed to sub-letting parts of granite cutting jobs.

TWO PEDDLERS ARRESTED.

Charged at Waterbury With Selling Without a License.

Waterbury, June 3.—On Thursday two peddlers giving their names as B. Lockerman and S. Cronin, with headquarters at Albany, N. Y., were brought before the justice court on complaint of Charles Kerne, charged with peddling without a license. On hearing their own statement of the nature of the business, which they claimed was taking orders for goods to be delivered later by express, and the absence of their evidence, they were discharged as not coming under the statutory definition of what constitutes a peddler. Later on it developed that they had sold and delivered goods at several places, and they were rearrested by Officer W. J. O'Neill on another complaint and after hearing the testimony they were held in the sum of \$100 each for their appearance before the grand jury. They expect to furnish the bail as soon as they can get in communication with Albany.

SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Jarvis of Burlington Celebrate.

Burlington, June 3.—The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Jarvis was observed last evening at their home, 41 School street, by a largely attended and delightful reception, from eight to ten o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis were married in Lafargeville, N. Y., but have been residents of this city for 34 years, where both are justly esteemed by a wide circle of friends. They were remembered last evening with many costly gifts, the number including many pieces of plate and crystal. Among those present from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Clark of Dexter, N. Y., and Mrs. Brayton Clark of Malone, N. Y.

TWO MORE RINGERS GO.

Resigned Their Positions at Request of Mayor Weaver.

Philadelphia, June 3.—At the request of Mayor Weaver, Alexander Colville, Jr., assistant director of public safety, and Wm. H. Baker, assistant director of public works, banded in their resignations yesterday and were immediately succeeded by new men. The mayor appointed Thomas W. South, a former police magistrate, to fill the position vacated by Mr. Colville and Thomas L. Hicks, a former postmaster, to take the place made vacant in the department of public works. The salaries of the assistant directors are \$4,000 a year.

ACCIDENT AT PASSAIC, N. J.

One Person Killed and Eleven Injured on D. L. & W. Railroad.

Paterson, N. J., June 3.—One person was killed and eleven injured in an accident on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad at Passaic yesterday.

Was Let Off Easy.

Burlington, June 3.—Leonard Jay, the young Italian who was arraigned in city court Wednesday on the charge of drawing a knife on William McLane, was brought again into court yesterday to have sentence imposed upon his plea of guilty. The court fined him \$5 and costs of \$10.29, which amount the respondent thinks he can raise. The court was inclined to think that the Italian was not so much to blame as his fellow workmen who bothered him. He is a very intelligent fellow, and is at present studying to be an electrical engineer. He is also supporting a wife and two children in Italy. He is able to read and write Italian, French and English.

GOOD WORK BY PUPILS.

Drawing Exhibit of Public Schools Shows Excellent Results.

The exhibit of the work of the pupils of the public schools in elementary art at the Mathewson school building yesterday was a revelation to many of the parents who were in attendance while others were more or less prepared for what they saw through the specimens of work the children have brought home from time to time during the school year. No part of the school work has created so much general interest among the pupils the past two years as has the drawing instruction of Miss Badger, and the results are worth all the time that has been devoted to it. The attendance yesterday and this morning was quite general, and the exhibit is well worth a visit from all our citizens. The building will remain open until 6 this afternoon.

UN SOUND MENTAL CONDITION.

Handwriting Expert Says of Condemned Mary Rogers.

T. W. Cartwell of Albany, N. Y., the expert on handwriting in the Rogers case, has written a letter to Gov. Ball in which he says that he was never called on to pass an opinion as to the mental condition of the condemned woman. He continues, "In my examination of the various exhibits of her admitted handwriting, used by me as a basis of comparison with the letter pinned to the hat, I found in many instances a vagueness of expression, which, in my opinion, could only emanate from a person of unsound mental condition."

MONTPELIER JOURNAL SOLD.

Daily Journal and Weekly Watchman Purchased by Journal Pub. Co.

The Montpelier Daily Journal and the Vermont Watchman, weekly, have been sold to the Journal Publishing Co., which took possession today.

The Journal Publishing Co. was incorporated this week, the incorporators being Frank E. Howe, A. O. Cummings, Flora Howe, F. E. Langley and C. A. Webb. At a meeting of the stockholders yesterday A. O. Cummings, F. E. Langley and F. E. Howe were elected directors. At a subsequent meeting of the directors F. E. Howe was elected president, F. E. Langley treasurer and C. A. Webb clerk.

GRABBED UMBRELLA APIECE.

Two Lads Liked Looks of Those Outside A. A. Smith & Bros. Store.

During the rain storm early last evening two lads, named Gooey and Ryeburg, sidled up to the umbrella case outside the store of A. A. Smith and Brother and grabbed an umbrella apiece. The act was seen by Angus Smith, Sr., who chased the lads who boarded an electric car.

The umbrellas were 49 cent ones, being a part of a bargain sale. The boys brought them back of their own accord.

PROTESTS THE TITLE.

Northfield Man Enquires How Rangers Are Champions of Vermont.

Editor Times: Having seen some bills over here advertising a foot ball match in Barre, between Mountain Birds of Canada vs. Barre Rangers, champions of Vermont, I wish to ask through your paper how they can class themselves as the champions of Vermont. They have played Northfield F. C. three times and been beaten twice. Hoping to have an answer through your paper, Yours,

FOOT BALL ENTHUSIAST.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION.

New Street Superintendent in Burlington Yesterday.

Burlington, June 3.—Another revolution took place in the management of the Burlington street department yesterday. Peter Sheeran, elected superintendent of streets by Commissioners Bailey and Ladd and later enjoined by D. W. C. Clapp, sent in his resignation, which was promptly accepted. A meeting of the commissioners was called and Mr. Sheeran's successor was elected in the person of John H. Black, who once held the office of street superintendent for several years.

EX-GOVERNOR WEDS.

W. W. Stickney Married to a Former Bank Clerk.

The wedding of former Gov. William W. Stickney and Miss Sarah E. Moore took place Thursday at the home of the bride's sister in East Barrington, N. H. Only relatives and a few friends were present. The bride is a daughter of the late A. T. Moore of Plymouth. She was for several years a clerk in the bank at Ludlow, and more recently has been studying music at the Boston conservatory.

Good Game This Afternoon.

An interesting ball game will be played on the Goddard campus this afternoon, beginning at 3:30 o'clock, between the Goddard team and the Congregational Barons. The latter team has been getting into shape lately and will play hard to win. Charles Wishart is their twirler, with Fisher to be called up. The line-up of the Barons team will be as follows: Murray, short stop; Bruce, second base; Carswell, first; Stephens third, Smith center field, Ayers catch, Fisher left field, Wishart pitcher, Austin right field.

United States Refuses.

St. John, N. B., June 3.—A despatch received from Ottawa last night says that the Canadian government has been notified by Sir Mortimer Durand, British ambassador at Washington, that the United States government has refused to agree to the St. John river matter being taken up by the international waterways commission.

FIRE SWEEP THEM CLEAN

All Hiram Sparrow's Buildings Were Destroyed.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

Thirteen Cows, One Bull, Several Hogs, Farming Tools and Part of Household Furniture Were Burned.

Every building on Hiram Sparrow's farm in East Montpelier was swept away by fire early last evening, lightning striking one, and the flames being communicated from one to the other in a very short time. The buildings destroyed are the house, a large barn and a cow barn. Thirteen cows and one bull, the latter owned by Fred Sibley, and several hogs, also hay, farming implements and tools, and part of the household furniture were burned with the rest. There is not a building of any description standing on the farm, with the exception of the sugarhouse which was so far away that it could not catch fire.

The farm-hands were just going to the cow barn at 5:45 o'clock to begin the evening milking when the lightning struck the building to which they were going. Flames at once broke out, and the cow barn was soon in flames, so that they were unable to rescue the stock. The cattle were suffocated and were burned, as they were tied to the stanchions. The men and the neighbors who quickly came to aid Mr. Sparrow's people, rushed to the horse-barn and succeeded in getting out the horses. That building was in the path of the flames, and then the wind swept the fire some distance to the house. A part of the furniture had been removed from this building, but as it had to be put in the yard, much damage was done to it by the rain. The fire burned so fiercely that there isn't a post left standing. The loss is partially covered by insurance, but Mr. Sparrow stated last evening that the amount would not begin to cover the loss.

There is some question as to whether the buildings will be replaced, as Mr. Sparrow's dealings in real estate do not leave him much time for farming. He is a well-to-do man and recently represented the town in the legislature.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Times and Places of Worship and Subjects of Sermons.

Christian Science services tomorrow at 10:45 a. m.; Wednesday evening at 7:30; reading room open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 2 to 4 o'clock, at 7 Summer street.

St. Monica's church.—Rev. P. M. McKenna, pastor. Sunday: 1st mass at 9 o'clock, Rev. P. M. McKenna. High mass at 10:30, Rev. E. F. Cray. Sunday school, 3 o'clock p. m. Rosary and benediction at 4 o'clock p. m.

Congregational church. Morning worship at 10:30. The pastor expects to preach on "The Season of Good Advice." The evening service will be held in union with the other churches, with an address on "Temperance."

Sunday after Ascension, Church of the Good Shepherd. Morning Prayer 9:45 a. m., Holy Communion and sermon 10:30 a. m., Sunday school 12. Evening Prayer and sermon 7:00 p. m.

Mr. T. A. Patterson, a graduate of the Presbyterian college, Montreal, is expected to preach in the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning and evening. The members of session are requested to meet at ten o'clock.

At the Baptist church the pastor will preach tomorrow morning on "Warm-hearted Christians." In the evening the Baptists will unite with the other churches in the union service at the Congregational church.

Universalist church.—Rev. Charles C. Conner will speak in the morning on "A Religious Outlook from the Watchtower." The evening service will be omitted for the union temperance meeting. Hours of service: 10:30 a. m.; Bible school, 12 m.; Junior Union, 4:30 p. m.; Senior Union, 5:45 p. m.

At the Methodist church tomorrow morning the Rev. Mr. Lowe will preach on "The Morning Star of the Reformation." Bible school at 12. The congregation will join in the union service in the evening.

Has An Old Bride.

Murray A. Kent of Montpelier is the owner of an old bride that has probably seen a half century or more of actual service and is still in a good state of preservation and may be seen at Wheelock's real estate office. The bride is one that was used on one of the teams employed in building the Central Vermont railroad almost sixty years ago. Near the end of the work in this section several carloads of carts, hammers, picks, harness, etc., were dumped over an embankment at Northfield and a quantity of the material was bought by Col. E. P. Jewett of Montpelier, who was interested in building the road. The bride now owned by Mr. Kent was in that lot and was used on horses owned by Col. Jewett for years. Several years ago when Mr. Kent was in the harness trade the bride was given to him by Patrick Slattery, who was employed by Col. Jewett. The bride is well made of extremely wide strap and with blinders 7x6 inches and made without metal.